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Ms. Mary Lou Capichioni  
Director, Remediation Services  
Corporate Environmental Services  
The Sherwin-Williams Company  
101 Prospect Avenue, N.W.  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115-1075

Re: June 20, 2003 Request for Extension to Respond to EPA's Comments on the  
January 2002 Revised Draft Work Plan and Field Sampling and Analysis Plan for  
RI/FS Activities; Gibbsboro, NJ

Dear Ms. Capichioni:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is in receipt of your letter dated June 20, 2003 requesting an extension for the submission of a Final Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Work Plan while the Sherwin-Williams Company (SWC) resolves a few outstanding action items from the June 19, 2003 meeting in New York City with EPA.

EPA hereby approves an extension to August 1, 2003 for your submission of a Final RI/FS Work Plan. As specified under paragraph 31 of the AOC for a RI/FS, EPA retains the right in its sole discretion to seek stipulated or statutory penalties, perform its own studies, complete the RI/FS (or any portion of the RI/FS) under CERCLA and the NCP, and seek reimbursement from the Respondent for its costs; and/or seek any other appropriate relief if the subsequent final submission of the RI/FS Work Plan does not fully reflect EPA's directions for changes.

If you have any questions on this matter, please feel free to contact Mr. Emmet Keveney, of my staff, at (212) 637-3916, or if you have any legal concerns, Mr. Carl Howard at (212) 637-3216.

Sincerely yours,

Carole Petersen, Chief  
New Jersey Remediation Branch

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